HB 515 -- POLICE RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF ST. LOUIS

SPONSOR: Leara

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Standing Committee on Pensions by a vote of 12 to 0. Voted "Do Pass by Consent" by the Select Committee on Rules by a vote of 10 to 0.

This bill changes the laws regarding the disability determination process of the Police Retirement System of St. Louis. The bill eliminates the board of police commissioners and transfers its responsibilities to the chief of police. The definition of "medical board" is changed from the board of three physicians of different disciplines appointed by the trustees of the police retirement board and responsible for arranging and passing on all required medical examinations and investigations regarding an application for disability retirement to the health care organization appointed by the trustees with those responsibilities.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this is a cleanup bill to update language with new procedures on disability determination.

Testifying for the bill were Representative Leara and The Police Retirement System Of St. Louis.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.